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**Hi there!**

I am a freelance ecologist, wildlife researcher, and copy editor with a passion for animals, conservation and the power of the written, as well as the spoken word. I have an undergraduate degree in English and Philosophy studies as well as an Honours degree in Environmental Sciences, a Masters in Zoology and a Doctorate in Ecology, all of which have deepened my awareness and understanding of hard work and a love for what you involve yourself in. I am well versed in online research, writing, editing, reviewing and analysis, whether it be creative or scientific in nature, and am confident in my abilities to do a task well and in good time. I am also an avid reader of everything!

**PERSONAL INFO**

Date of birth	21/08/1985	Nationality	South African
Place of birth	Cape Town, South Africa	Driving license	Full

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**EMPLOYMENT HISTORY**

April 2019 - Present	<b>Freelance researcher and copy editor</b>	Cape Town
May 2000 - Nov 2000	<b>50   50 In-house researcher and copy editor</b>	Cape Town
Oct 2010 – March 2019	<b>Wildlife Researcher and copy editor Earth Touch Pty Ltd.</b>	Durban
Feb 2010 – Jul 2010	<b>Researcher, Entomology Department Iziko Natural History Museum</b>	Cape Town
Jan 2008 – Feb 2010	<b>Researcher, Baboon Research Unit University of Cape Town</b>	Cape Town
May 2009 – Nov 2009	<b>Research Officer, Terrestrial Research Project Frontier</b>	Diego Suarez
Feb 2009 – April 2009	<b>Chameleon fieldworker, South African National Biodiversity Institute</b>	Cape Town
Feb 2009 – Nov 2009	<b>GIS demonstrator and tutor University of Cape Town</b>	Cape Town
Jan 2008 - Dec 2008	<b>Researcher, Cape Leopard Trust</b>	Cape Town
Jan 2006 – Sep 2007	<b>Pangea English School teacher</b>	Cape Town

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**EDUCATION**

Aug 2015 – Sep 2017	<b>PhD, Ecological Sciences, UKZN</b>	Pietermaritzburg
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Jan 2013 – Aug 2015	<b>MSc, Ecological Sciences, UKZN</b>	Pietermaritzburg
Jan 2008 – Nov 2008	<b>BSc Honours, UCT</b>	Cape Town
Jan 2004 – Nov 2007	<b>BSocSci, UCT</b>	Cape Town

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## **PUBLICATIONS**

- Downs CT et al. (2021) Modification of the third phase In the framework for vertebrate species persistence I urban mosaic environments. *AMBIO, A Journal of the Human Environment*. 50: 1879-1881.
- Patterson L, Kalle R, Downs C. (2019) Living in the suburbs: Space use by vervet monkeys (*Chlorocebus pygerythrus*) in Simbithi Eco-Estate, South Africa. *African Journal of Ecology*. 57 (3).
- Patterson L, Kalle R, Downs C. (2017) A citizen science urban wildlife survey: perceptions and attitudes of urban residents towards vervet monkeys. *Urban Ecosystems* 20: 617-628. DOI 10.1007/s11252-016-0619-0
- Patterson L, Kalle R, Downs C. (2017) Factors affecting presence of vervet monkey troops in a suburban matrix in KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. *Landscape & Urban Planning*. 169: 220-228.
- Patterson L, Kalle R, Downs C. (2016) Predation of artificial bird nests in suburban gardens of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa. *Urban Ecosystems* 19: 615-630. DOI 10.1007/s11252-016-0526-4
- Turner TR, Hill R, Coetzer WG, Patterson L. (2016) A conservation assessment of *Chlorocebus pygerythrus*. The Red List of Mammals of South Africa, Swaziland and Lesotho. *South African National Biodiversity Institute and Endangered Wildlife Trust*.
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## **CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS**

- Primate Ecology and Genetics Group Meeting 2014
- Ecological Society of America Annual Meeting 2016
- Durban Research Action Partnership Annual Research Symposium 2017
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## **SKILLS**

Research	Data collection and analysis	Proposal and pitch writing
Project Management	Scientific Writing	Survey work
Microsoft Office	Animal Tracking	Proof checking and editing

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## **LANGUAGES**

English (1 <sup>st</sup> Language)	Malagas (Basic)
Afrikaans (2 <sup>nd</sup> Language)	Sign Language (Basic)
French (Basic)	

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## REFERENCES

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